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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

LAURA A. BEDZYK ET. AL.

CASE NO.: CL1686USDIV

SERIAL NO.: 10/602747

GROUP ART UNIT: 1636

FILED: JUNE 24, 2003

EXAMINER: MARVISH, M

FOR: NATURAL PROMOTERS FOR GENE EXPRESSION AND METABOLIC
MONITORING IN BACILLUS SPECIES

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 7/14/2004.

This response and amendment is filed outside the shortened three month statutory period for response. A request for a one month extension of time, including the appropriate fee accompanies this response.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof. Please amend the application as follows:

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